Rice mills

• 292 *Q*.—SRI V. K. KOTHANDARAMAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of applications for licences received from Salem district for starting rice mills in 1959–60; and

(*b*) the number of licences granted ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (*a*) 408.

(*b*) 12.

Kundah Hydro-Electric Project

• 299 *Q*.—SRI A. A. RASHEED: Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have appealed to the Canadian Government for further aid for the completion of third and fourth stages of the Kundah Hydro-Electric Projects; and

(*b*) if so, the reply received from them ?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH: (*a*) The third and fourth stages of the Project, which have since been combined into one stage namely the third stage, is proposed to be taken up for execution during the Third Plan period. The question of obtaining Canadian aid for the execution of the scheme has already been taken up with the Government of India.

(*b*) The Government of India have since replied that the matter is under examination and that necessary action will be taken at the appropriate time.

SRI A. A. RASHEED: May I know, Sir, the total aid that is expected for the completion of the third and fourth stages of the Kundha Project and what is the reply received from the Government of Canada through the Government of India ?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH: As already stated we have approached the Government of India.

Crop competition

• 300 *Q*.—SRI P. G. MANICKAM: *கனம் உள்விவகார அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவு செய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்கு பதிலளிப்பாரா—*

(அ) 1960-ம் வருடத்தில் (1) நெல் விளைச்சல். (2) கரும்பு விளைச்சல் போட்டியில் எத்தனை பேர்களுக்குப் பரிசுகள் வழங்கப் பட்டன ?

(ஆ) ஒரு ஏகரில் அதிகப்படியான எத்தனை ராத்தல் நெல் உற்பத்தி செய்யப்பட்டது ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (*a*) & (*b*) The results of the crop yield competition for the year 1959–60 have not yet been finalised.